GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Transparent LPG Cylinders
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated/proposes to formulate any special scheme to introduce transparent LPG Cylinders for domestic purpose to curb the pilferage of gas;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the cost of transparent cylinders is almost double than that of normal cylinders and if so, the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to reduce the cost of transparent cylinders; and
(d) whether the Government has fixed any target to introduce transparent LPG cylinders across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/ being taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)
(a) to (d) In order to undertake a feasibility study on marketing of LPG in composite cylinders by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs), a public tender was invited by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. The pilot study is proposed in three select markets of Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Pune. This study is expected to commence after obtaining approval from the Statutory Authorities. Based on the results of Pilot study, OMCs will decide about the introduction of marketing of LPG in composite cylinders. OMCs have reported that the approximate cost of a composite cylinder is more than double that of a steel made cylinder.